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Taxi Pick-Up Location Changed to Alleviate Late Night Pedestrian Traffic on High Street

The stop was changed to prevent crowds gathering, much like last year's Mountain Line Bus Stop change.

MORGANTOWN – A High Street taxi stand is being relocated to prevent large crowds from impeding travel during late hours downtown.

On November 9, 2011, the Mountain Line Transit Authority approved a move of the late-night downtown bus stop (which runs from 10 p.m. until 3 p.m., Thursday through Saturday) from the corner of High Street and Wall Street to the Courthouse Plaza. It helped get a lot of late-night patrons off the sidewalk in a narrow part of High Street, but only those who rode the bus.

This week, Morgantown Police and Fire Departments collaborated with Bobby King of the Yellow Cab Taxi service. They all agreed that moving the taxi stand from the intersection of High and Wall Streets down to the intersection of High Street and Chancery Row would aid in minimizing large crowds that gather in that area, awaiting a cab for a ride back home.

"The movement is purely for public safety reasons: to separate the crowds that are trying to get into and leave the bars from the crowds that are looking for public transportation," said Chief Ed Preston.

The changes will go into effect immediately.

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